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COMPLIANCE ADVISORY

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF NEW RULE 19.3 (EMISSION INFORMATION) AND AMENDMENTS TO RULE 19 (PROVISION OF SAMPLING AND TESTING FACILITIES)

On April 6, 1993 the Air Pollution Control Board adopted new Rule 19.3 and amendments to Rule 19. Rule 19 is an existing rule and requires source operators to provide access, facilities, utilities and any necessary safety equipment for inspection and source testing. Existing Rule 19 has been revised to be consistent with Rule 19.3 and to clarify requirements associated with District inspections and testing. Rule 19.3 is a new rule and was developed in response to the 1990 Federal Clean Air Act Amendments. The Act requires owners or operators of major stationary sources located in areas which violate the national ambient air quality standard for ozone to provide an annual statement of actual emissions of nitrogen oxides (NOx) and volatile organic compounds (VOC). San Diego violates the national and state ambient air quality standard for ozone.

New Rule 19.3 requires all major stationary sources that emit more than 25 tons per year of NOx or VOC to submit an annual Emissions Statement Form beginning in 1993 for emissions occurring in 1992. The rule allows the District to require sources that do not emit more than 25 tons per year of NOx or VOC to also submit Emissions Statement Forms, but exempts sources emitting less than five tons per year of air contaminants, excluding toxics, from this requirement. Rule 19.3 specifies what information must be contained in the Emissions Statement Forms and the date when these forms must be submitted. The Air Pollution Control Officer may grant one extension of up to 60 days from the due date under special circumstances if it does not conflict with federal law. Rule 19.3 also requires the source owner/operator to sign the forms certifying the accuracy of the information contained in the forms and requires that the supporting documentation for the information provided be kept on site for at least three years and made available to the District on request.

Affected facilities were required to submit District Emission Inventory Report Forms in March of 1993. The District is now calculating NOx and VOC emissions based on those reports and sending the facilities their Emission Statement Forms along with summaries of emissions and explanations of how the emissions were determined. Facilities will then have 60 days to either sign and return the Emission Statement Forms or arrange a conference with the District's Emission Inventory staff if they wish to discuss the emission calculations. The conference must be held and a decision made regarding the emissions inventory within the same 60-day period. The request for the conference should be made in writing within ten calendar days of receiving the Emission Statement Form. It shall be the responsibility of the affected facility to provide the District with all data necessary to substantiate any emission estimates.

Enclosed for your information are copies of Rules 19 and 19.3. Should you have any questions regarding this advisory or the two rules, contact the District's emission inventory section at (619) 694-3307.

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